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(3) Class 8, must be labeled Corrosive. [Amdt. 172–123, 55 FR 52594, Dec. 21, 1990, as amended at 56 FR 66255, Dec. 20, 1991; Amdt. 172–139, 59 FR 67490, Dec. 29, 1994; Amdt. 172–140, 60 FR 26805, May 18, 1995; Amdt. 172–149, 61 FR 27173, May 30, 1996; 62 FR 39405, July 22, 1997; 66 FR 33425, June 21, 2001]

## § 172.403 Class 7 (radioactive) material.

- (a) Unless excepted from labeling by §§ 173.421 through 173.427 of this subchapter, each package of radioactive material must be labeled as provided in this section.
- (b) The proper label to affix to a package of Class 7 (radioactive) material is based on the radiation level at

the surface of the package and the transport index. The proper category of label must be determined in accordance with paragraph (c) of this section. The label to be applied must be the highest category required for any of the two determining conditions for the package. RADIOACTIVE WHITE-I is the lowest category and RADIOACTIVE YELLOW-III is the highest. For example, a package with a transport index of 0.8 and a maximum surface radiation level of 0.6 millisievert (60 millirems) per hour must bear a RADIOACTIVE YELLOW-III label.

(c) Category of label to be applied to Class 7 (radioactive) materials packages:

Transport index	Maximum radiation level at any point on the external surface	Label category <sup>1</sup>
02	Less than or equal to 0.005 mSv/h (0.5 mrem/h).	WHITE-I.
More than 0 but not more than 1	Greater than 0.005 mSv/h (0.5 mrem/h) but less than or equal to 0.5 mSv/h (50 mrem/h).	YELLOW-II.
More than 1 but not more than 10	Greater than 0.5 mSv/h (50 mrem/h) but less than or equal to 2 mSv/h (200 mrem/h).	YELLOW-III.
More than 10	Greater than 2 mSv/h (200 mrem/h) but less than or equal to 10 mSv/h (1,000 mrem/h).	YELLOW-III (Must be shipped under exclusive use provisions; see 173.441(b) of this subchapter).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Any package containing a "highway route controlled quantity" (§ 173.403 of this subchapter) must be labelled as RADIO-ACTIVE YELLOW-III.

<sup>2</sup> If the measured TI is not greater than 0.05, the value may be considered to be zero.

- (d) *EMPTY* label. See §173.428(d) of this subchapter for EMPTY labeling requirements.
  - (e) [Reserved]
- (f) Each package required by this section to be labeled with a RADIO-ACTIVE label must have two of these labels, affixed to opposite sides of the package. (See §172.406(e)(3) for freight container label requirements).
- (g) The following applicable items of information must be entered in the blank spaces on the RADIOACTIVE label by legible printing (manual or mechanical), using a durable weather resistant means of marking:
- (1) Contents. The name of the radionuclides as taken from the listing of radionuclides in §173.435 of this subchapter (symbols which conform to established radiation protection terminology are authorized, i.e., <sup>99</sup>Mo, <sup>60</sup>Co,

- etc.). For mixtures of radionuclides, with consideration of space available on the label, the radionuclides that must be shown must be determined in accordance with §173.433(f) of this subchapter.
- (2) Activity. Activity units must be expressed in appropriate SI units (e.g., Becquerels (Bq), Terabecquerels (Tbq), etc.) or in both appropriate SI units and appropriate customary units (Curies (Ci), MilliCuries (mCi) microCuries (uCi), etc.). Abbreviations are authorized. Except for plutonium-238, plutonium-239, and plutonium-241, weight in grams or kilograms of fissile radionuclides may be inserted instead of activity units. For plutonium-238, plutonium-239, and plutonium-241, the weight in grams or kilograms of fissile radionuclides may be inserted in addition to the activity units.

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(3) Transport index. (See §173.403 of this subchapter.)

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# § 172.404 Labels for mixed and consolidated packaging.

- (a) Mixed packaging. When hazardous materials having different hazard classes are packed within the same packaging, or within the same outside container or overpack as described in §173.25 and authorized by §173.21 of this subchapter, the packaging, outside container or overpack must be labeled as required for each class of hazardous material contained therein.
- (b) Consolidated packaging. When two or more packages containing compatible hazardous material (see §173.21 of this subchapter) are placed within the same outside container or overpack, the outside container or overpack must be labeled as required for each class of hazardous material contained therein.

#### § 172.405 Authorized label modifications.

- (a) For Classes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 8, text indicating a hazard (for example FLAMMABLE LIQUID) is not required on a primary or subsidiary label.
- (b) For a package containing Oxygen, compressed, or Oxygen, refrigerated liquid, the OXIDIZER label specified in §172.426 of this subpart, modified to display the word "OXYGEN" instead of "OXIDIZER", and the class number "2" instead of "5.1", may be used in place of the NON-FLAMMABLE GAS and OXIDIZER labels. Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph (a) of this section, the word "OXYGEN" must appear on the label.
- (c) For a package containing a Division 6.1, Packing Group III material, the POISON label specified in §172.430 may be modified to display the text "PG III" instead of "POISON" or

"TOXIC" below the mid line of the label. Also see §172.313(d).

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## §172.406 Placement of labels.

- (a) General. (1) Except as provided in paragraphs (b) and (e) of this section, each label required by this subpart must—
- (i) Be printed on or affixed to a surface (other than the bottom) of the package or containment device containing the hazardous material; and
- (ii) Be located on the same surface of the package and near the proper shipping name marking, if the package dimensions are adequate.
- (2) Except as provided in paragraph (e) of this section, duplicate labeling is not required on a package or containment device (such as to satisfy redundant labeling requirements).
- (b) Exceptions. A label may be printed on or placed on a securely affixed tag, or may be affixed by other suitable means to:
- (1) A package that contains no radioactive material and which has dimensions less than those of the required label:
  - (2) A cylinder; and
- (3) A package which has such an irregular surface that a label cannot be satisfactorily affixed.
- (c) Placement of multiple labels. When primary and subsidiary hazard labels are required, they must be displayed next to each other. Placement conforms to this requirement if labels are within 150 mm (6 inches) of one another.
- (d) Contrast with background. Each label must be printed on or affixed to a background of contrasting color, or must have a dotted or solid line outer border.
- (e) Duplicate labeling. Generally, only one of each different required label must be displayed on a package. However, duplicate labels must be displayed on at least two sides or two ends (other than the bottom) of—
- (1) Each package or overpack having a volume of  $1.8\ m^3$  (64 cubic feet) or more: